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MAY DAY GREETINGS FROM MOSCOW TO THE
STAFF OF THE "EDITORIAL OFFICE".

From: MOSCOW

To: MEXICO CITY[1]

No.: 260

30 April 1944

We wish you and the staff of the Editorial Office
[REDAKTSIYA][11] a happy May Day holiday. We wish you success
in the work.

No. 1814

VIKTOR[111]

- Comments: [1] This message is known to have been sent also to
BOGOTA, HAVANA, LOS ANGELES, NEW YORK and OTTAWA.
- [11] REDAKTSIYA: Identified from NEW YORK message no.
1433 of 10 Oct 1944 [S/NBF/T414] as the
TASS News Agency. The significance of VIKTOR
sending greetings to the "REDAKTSIYA" in all the
above places is not clear. Such greetings are
normally sent to the MGB resident, but in the case
of NEW YORK the resident is known to have had his
cover at this time in the Consulate-General.
It is conceivable that, prior to the arrival of
Pavel Ivanovich FEDOSIMOV as resident in NEW YORK
early in 1944, the resident was a TASS representative,
and that in sending out the May Day greetings
MOSCOW overlooked the fact that in the case of
NEW YORK the resident's cover was no longer in the
TASS Agency.

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[111] VIKTOR: probably Lt-General P.M. FITIN, head of the 1st (Foreign Intelligence) Directorate of the Ministry of State Security.
